Difficulties faced by paper industry

5950. SHRI RAMNATH KOVIND: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Paper Industry in India is facing many difficulties due to faulty policy pursued by the Central Government,

(b) what are the demands put forward by the Federation of Paper Traders Organisation in this regard; and

(c) what is the attitude of Government towards these demands of the Paper Industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Federation of Paper Traders' Association of India, Bombay have made a demand to enact a separate law or extend the provisions of "Interest on Delayed Payments to Small Scale and Ancillary Industrial Undertakings Act, 1993", to all traders to protect them from the vagaries of buyers.

(c) The demand made by the Association is under examination of the Government.

Development of Bhiwadi Industrial area

5951. SHRI RAMNATH KOVIND: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what facilities have been provided by the Central Government for the development of Bhiwadi Industrial Area in Rajasthan;

(b) whether any steps have been taken by Government to link this Industrial area with Delhi so that the products of industry find market in the whole country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not whether Government have any proposals in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Industrialisation of an area is primarily the responsibility of the State Government concerned. The Central Government supplement the efforts of the State Government wherever possible.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Setting up of industrial growth Centres in Madhya Pradesh

5952. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDAV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of projects reports received from the Madhya Pradesh Government for setting up industrial growth centres during the last three years till December, 1993, district-wise;

(b) the number of reports approved so far and the number of proposals which are yet to be cleared, district-wise;

(c) the funds allocated for the purpose, district-wise; and

(d) the time by which the remaining proposals are likely to be approved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (d) Under the growth centre scheme—1988, six centres have been allotted to the State of Madhya Pradesh. All these centres have been appraised and approved. These are in the districts of Bhind, Dhar, Durg, Guna, Raipur and Rajsen. So far, Central assistance of Rs. 16.5 crores has been released towards these centres: